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2 **WAGANAKISING ODAWAK STATUTE 2016-**

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4 **THE TRIBAL EMBLEM and SEAL OF THE WAGANAKISING ODAWAK**  
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8 **SECTION I. PURPOSE**  
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10 The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) recognizes that the Tribal  
11 Emblem and Seal represents pride in the accomplishments of the Waganakising  
12 Odawak, and it is desired that the Tribal Emblem and Seal be displayed as symbol of  
13 acknowledgment of the sovereign nation status of the Waganakising Odawak. This  
14 Statute repeals and replaces any previous Statute including WOS 2006-015, The Tribal  
15 Seal of the Waganakising Odawak Nation.  
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18 **SECTION II. DEFINITIONS**  
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20 **A. “LTBB or Tribe”** means the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.  
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22 **B. “Secretary”** means the Tribal Council Secretary who is responsible in  
23 maintaining and protecting the Tribal Seal.  
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25 **C. “Tribal Citizen”** means a person who is an enrolled member of the Little  
26 Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.  
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29 **SECTION III. TRIBAL EMBLEM**  
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31 The Tribal Emblem was approved by Tribal Council on December 5, 1999, and it depicts  
32 an Anishinaabe paddling a canoe on a lake, an eagle soaring across the sky in front of the  
33 sun, a crooked tree branch, an elk, a bear and a turtle, enclosed within a circle. Hanging  
34 from the bottom of the circle are six Eagle feathers. Along the top of the circle are the  
35 words, in all caps: “Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians” and underneath the  
36 feathers is the words “Waganakising Odawa”.

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3 **SECTION IV. TRIBAL SEAL**  
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5 **A.** The Tribal Seal is the embossed Tribal Emblem, approximately two (2) inches in  
6 diameter.

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8 **B.** The Tribal Seal shall be used for the official business of the Tribe and shall not be  
9 used by any other entity.

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11 **C.** The Seal shall be used as the identification mark signifying the authenticity of a  
12 document.  
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15 **SECTION V. PROTECTOR OF THE TRIBAL SEAL**  
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17 The Secretary “shall maintain and protect the Tribal Seal” by ensuring safe storage of the  
18 Tribal Seal, and that it shall only be used for official Tribal business.  
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21 **SECTION VII. USE OF THE EMBLEM**  
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23 **A.** The Emblem may be used by any Tribal Citizen, person, or entity, provided that it  
24 use does not mislead or convey any impression of official action or endorsement by the  
25 Tribe unless the Tribe has specifically authorized and/or approved the use of the Emblem.  
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27 **B.** The Emblem may be used with or without any of the surrounding words of “Little  
28 Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians” or Waganakising Odawa”.  
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30 **C.** The Emblem may be used for such commercial or non-profit activities such as  
31 placing it on mugs, clothing items, websites, signs, novelty items and any other items for  
32 display or resale.  
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35 **SECTION VII. UNAUTHORIZED USE; CONVICTION; PENALTY**  
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1 Any unauthorized use of the Tribal Seal, shall be deemed a civil offense and may be  
2 fined up to Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00).

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5 **SECTION VIII. SEVERABILITY**

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7 If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, phrase or portion of this Statute is,  
8 for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction,  
9 such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such  
10 holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

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13 **SECTION IX. EFFECTIVE DATE**

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15 Effective upon signature of the Executive or 30 days from Tribal Council  
16 approval whichever comes first or if the Executive vetoes the legislation, then upon  
17 Tribal Council override of the veto.

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20 **SECTION XIII. OTHER RELATED STATUTES**

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22 See WOS 2012-017 Tribal Secretary Responsibilities, or as may be amended.